

## OLLIE JAMES MADE PERMANENT CHAIRMAN

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## ROOSEVELT REAL ISSUE OF COMING FIGHT IN NATION

Democrats Claim Contest Will Lie Mainly Between Progressive and Their Candidate For Office.

By J. C. WELLIVER.

BALTIMORE, Md., June 26.—Assuming that Clark is to be the nominee of the Democratic convention, politicians of all parties are already attempting to make sweeping surveys of the national political situation, with appraisals of the various elements that will enter into it.

It is going to be a campaign whose like has not been known. Almost all forecasters assign to President Taft the third place in the race. They believe that victory will lie between the new progressive party and the Democrats, who are planning to name a conservative candidate on a radical platform.

The real issue, in the end, seems certain to be Roosevelt, his personality, policies and progressive platform. A very real commanding question at this stage concerns the extent to which progressive ideas have permeated the country.

### Progressives In Lead.

There was no uncertainty about a big, populous, and important group of States. They have been captured as to both parties, for progressive ideas. Pennsylvania leads, because it is the biggest State of this group. It is as full of trouble for the old-fashioned sort of politics and politicians as Kansas and Nebraska used to be in the old days of the all-embracing sweep of Populism.

The Wilson Democracy captured the State almost emphatically and triumphantly as did the Roosevelt Republicans. Pennsylvania was the backbone of independence and defiance of bossism at Chicago, and it is the same here.

Minnesota, though it is not a primary State, went solidly progressive on both the Democratic and the Republican sides of the political line. At Chicago it cast twenty-four votes, its full strength, with the progressives whenever the roll was called, and every time it was greeted with cheers. Here it is doing the same thing, twenty-four votes for Bryan told the story of protest against less rule.

Kansas stood N. U. 2 in favor of the Roosevelt program throughout at Chicago. Here, its Democrats stand twenty solid as a wall of granite for the anti-boss side of things. Kansas—but why apothecize Kansas? Its poets, novelists, historians, and statesmen have written, ever since the days of the Kansas-Nebraska act, the story of its eternal protest against slavery in whatever form, its undying war for human liberty and social justice. Then there are the Dakotas, Nebraska, California. They stand together here as at Chicago, for the things that spell progress, liberalism, justice. California is not so strong here as it was in Chicago. Its democracy has produced no leader so well equipped to megaphone its message to the nation as Hiram Johnson has done it for the Republicans.

### California All Right.

But California is all right, on the Democratic as well as the Republican side of the now literally imaginary line that divides parties in the truly progressive States. Ohio, too, is in exactly the same position here as at Chicago.

There is the same seething, boiling ferment of disaffection with the old and demand for a new order that we saw in Chicago, and that everybody has recognized was going on for years. Here, as at Chicago, it has a candidate.

### WEATHER REPORT.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT. Unsettled this afternoon and tonight. Thursday fair and not quite so warm.

### TEMPERATURES.

U. S. BUREAU.	AFLECK'S.
8 a. m. .... 73	8 a. m. .... 74
9 a. m. .... 75	9 a. m. .... 76
10 a. m. .... 79	10 a. m. .... 80
11 a. m. .... 80	11 a. m. .... 81
12 noon .... 84	12 noon .... 85
1 p. m. .... 84	1 p. m. .... 85
2 p. m. .... 84	2 p. m. .... 85

Today—High tide, 5:27 a. m. and 6:08 p. m.; low tide, 12:17 a. m. and 1:06 p. m.  
Tomorrow—High tide, 6:15 a. m. and 6:57 p. m.; low tide, 12:21 a. m. and 1:06 p. m.

### SUN TABLE.

Rises 4:34 Sets 7:30

## LACK OF MONEY MAY FORCE NAVY YARDS TO CLOSE

Congress Alone Can Prevent Lay-Off of Thousands of Workmen.

Every navy yard in the United States and its possessions will be closed Monday morning unless Congress passes a resolution extending the salaries of employees for the fiscal year beginning July 1. This affects more than 30,000 employees.

Acting Secretary of the Navy Beekman Winthrop today notified by telegraph and cable commanders of all United States naval stations to lay off thousands of civilian workmen Monday.

At the same time the Acting Secretary instructed naval officers to proceed with maneuvers, to purchase supplies and coal by contract and to continue operations as if there were no lack of funds.

### Urges Help of Congress.

Secretary Winthrop has also consulted with various members of Congress on the subject and numerous letters have been sent to Congressmen urging them to remedy the situation. Congressman Fitzgerald of New York especially has been appealed to, and the petition has been made that he take active measures to pass the naval and other supply bills before July 1.

It is not expected that the thousands of civilian employees of the Government in Washington will be seriously affected by the deficiency. By the terms of the act of February 27, 1906, which forbids the Government to accept gratuitous services from clerks, the various departments may in many cases keep the employees at work on the ground that they are needed "for the protection of property."

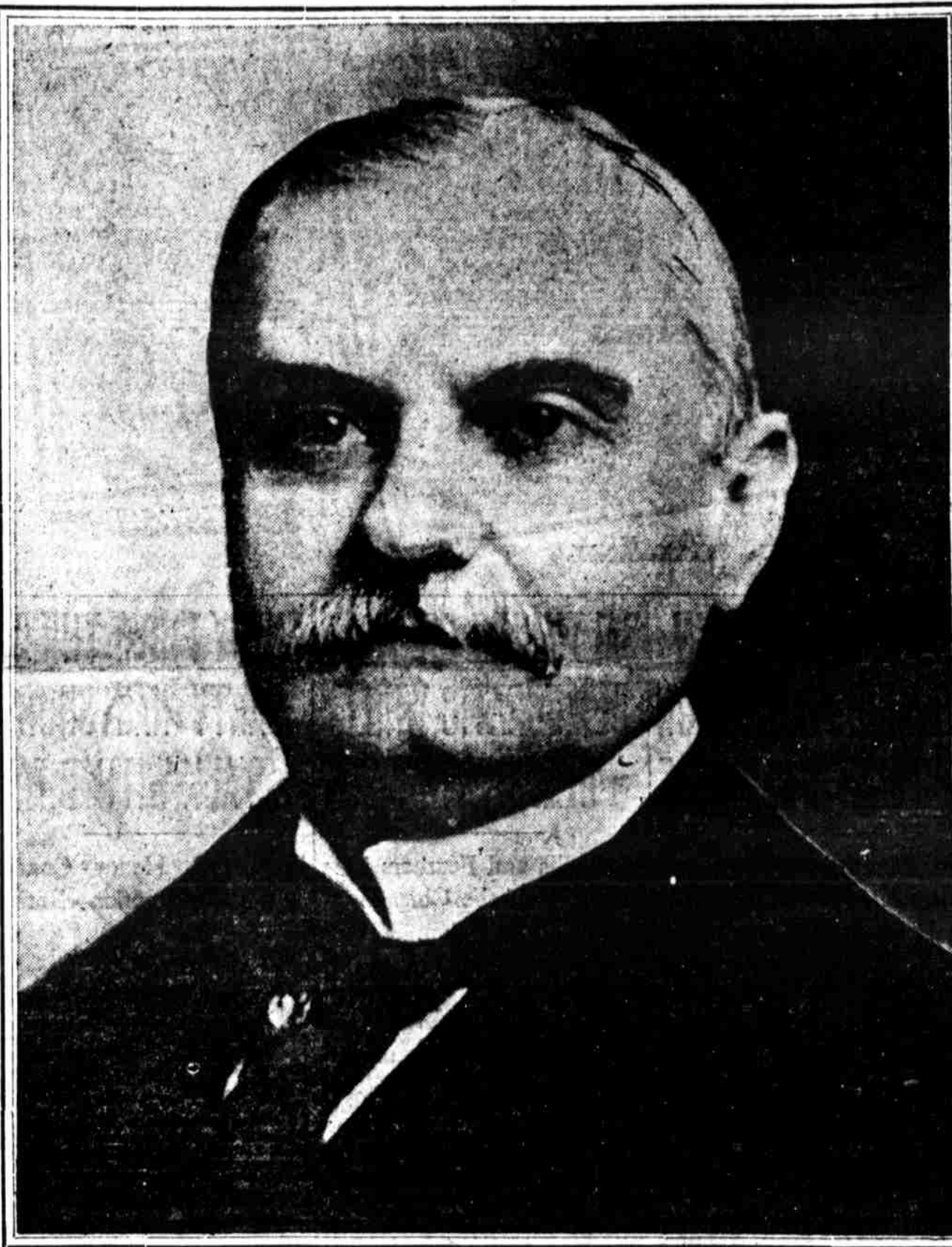
In most of the departments, however, hundreds of clerks may be granted leave to avoid breaking the law, in case the budget is not passed.

### Criticizes Fitzgerald.

Officials of all departments are prone to criticize Congressman Fitzgerald for neglecting governmental affairs to participate in the Democratic convention at Baltimore.

Protests have been pouring into the White House from thousands of persons in all parts of the country who will be affected by the delay on the part of Congress in granting funds. The Acting Secretary of the Navy, Beekman Winthrop, has submitted petitions from navy yard employees, numbering more than 50,000 men, who will be dropped.

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THOMAS FORTUNE RYAN.

## ORGANIZED GREED NOW RULES BOTH OF THE OLD PARTIES, DECLARES BRYAN

Control of Democratic Convention Rests With Ryan, Through Murphy's Domination of National Committee, Says Commoner. Masses Temporarily Helpless—Scores Delegates.

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Probably never before in the history of the country have we seen two men attending a national convention and pulling the strings in the open view of the public. Mr. Ryan, Mr. Belmont and Mr. Morgan have municipal work in New York and Brooklyn that will involve the letting of contracts amounting to more than \$250,000,000.

This group of financiers also has large financial interests in many of the great cities, and wherever they work they need a political boss. Some of their bosses work under the name of Democrats and some bear the Republican label, but they all work for their masters.

These big financiers have been using the organization of the two leading parties to do their service. They were exposed last week at Chicago and because of the exposure, Mr. Taft's nomination was made impossible until they were sure they could control the Democratic party and prevent the nomination of a progressive around whom both Democrats and progressive Republicans could rally.

I did not believe until I reached Baltimore that it was possible for them to control this convention, but I find that the delegates who know what the interests want, and knowing it, are willing to help the interests.

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## ORATORY FLOWS AS CONVENTION WAITS ON ITS COMMITTEES

Recess Taken Until This Evening to Permit Credentials to Be Passed Upon—Rival Boomers Busy in Big Hall.

By THEODORE TILLER.

CONVENTION HALL, BALTIMORE, June 26.—The Democratic national convention marked time after convening shortly after noon today, as no progress could be made with the regular business until after the reports of the committees were completed.

These committees spent the afternoon whipping the platform into shape, and passing on the credentials of contested delegates. The credentials committee will report to the convention at 8 o'clock tonight, and a hot fight is expected at the evening session over the seating of some of the delegates who came to Baltimore with clouded titles to their seats.

After the convention met at noon Chairman Parker called upon the horde of orators who thronged the hall and platform to amuse, entertain and instruct the crowd with impromptu speeches, and this they did with right good will.

Between speeches rival organizations of boomers tried to drown each other out, so that excitement did not lag.

### Hall Filled Early.

It was three minutes after twelve, the meeting hour, before Chairman Parker arrived. Sporadic applause greeted his appearance. The hall was filled by that time, and delegates took the heat philosophically, waiting with their coats off. Some even shed their collars.

Twenty minutes later Parker called the convention to order. Regular city police had been impressed to aid the incompetent convention officials, and there was for less disorder in the hall, while all aisles were comparatively clear.

The opening invocation was delivered by Right Rev. John Gardner Murray, of Baltimore. In his prayer he asked that the party be strengthened to aid the nation, "which is now passing through the most momentous crisis in its history."

Former Governor Blanchard, of Louisiana, for the committee on resolutions, asked that the business session be adjourned until 8 o'clock tonight.

"I do not expect that you recess now," he said. "I know that this vast assembly wants a flow of oratory and the orators are here. But no business can be transacted, and I move that when a recess is taken it be until 8 o'clock tonight."

The motion was carried, and former Gov. Joseph B. Folk was introduced for the first speech.

Folk declared that Colonel Roosevelt, who "did the most to elect Mr. Taft," now admits that he made a mistake in siding to defeat Bryan. The former Missouri executive paid tribute to Colonel Bryan "as the greatest teacher in the history of the United States."

Folk made a plea for a progressive Democratic platform. He was somewhat hoarse and his voice did not carry to the galleries. The result was much confusion. Parker came to his rescue by asking for order.

### Slap from Parker.

"No gentleman," began Parker, with emphasis on the second word, "will talk to his neighbor when a distinguished orator is trying to make himself heard."

This sally brought a sarcastic cheer from the New York delegation. Senator Rayner of Maryland was then introduced. Rayner began by saying that there would be three parties in the field this fall.

"The motto of the Republican party headed by Mr. Taft," he said, "is 'We shall react and retrograde.'"

"The motto of the new party soon to be formed is: 'Thou shalt not steal.' There is only one motto for the Democracy, and that is: 'We shall progress.'"

With great eloquence, Rayner, one of

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### White House Callers.

#### SENATORS.

Burton of Ohio. Crawford of S. D. Chamberlain of Ore. Cullom of Ill. Bradley of Ky. Curtis of Kan. Gallinger of N. H. Penrose of Pa. Brown of Neb.

#### CONGRESSMEN.

McGuire of Okla. Hughes of W. Va. Gardner of Mass. Ashbrook of Ind. Morrison of Ind. Barnhart of Ind.

#### OTHER CALLERS.

Former Senator Burkett of Nebraska. Gen. Powell Clayton of Arkansas. Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel.

## FIVE WORKMEN IN EXCAVATION ARE BURNED BY GAS

Falling Torch Ignites Leak, Explosion Sets Fire to Laborers' Clothing.

Five men were badly burned shortly after 11 o'clock this morning by an explosion of gas in an excavation in which they were working at North Capitol and G streets. The injured are: Richard Horn, forty-four year old, foreman for the Washington Gas Light Company, living at 1015 Third street northwest.

Arthur O'Leary, twenty-seven, of 21 U street northwest.

John Clark, colored, twenty-five, 812 Twenty-fifth street northwest.

Addison Lawton, colored, forty-seven, 1213 Nolan court southwest.

Thomas Addison, colored, forty-eight, 825 Twenty-fifth street northwest.

Horn was the most seriously burned. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital, where the physicians thought at first his injuries would prove fatal, but later it was said he would probably recover. He was burned about the face, neck, hands, and body.

The explosion was caused by the upsetting of a gasolene torch near the edge of the excavation, which fell into the opening in the street and ignited the gas.

## BILL FOR SALARIES IN DISTRICT SIGNED

President Taft today, at the solicitation of Senator Gallinger, signed the District of Columbia appropriation bill. At this time when thousands of Government clerks are anxious as to the salary question after July 1, the chairman of the Senate District Committee, decided to take active steps to reassure the employees of the District government that their status as to funds is all right.

The New Hampshire Senator attended the Chicago convention, and came to the White House with Senators Burton, of Ohio and Bradley of Kentucky to confer with the President about his future campaign plans. It is announced no action will be taken until Secretary Hill returns tonight or tomorrow.

Senator Brown of Nebraska introduced as one of his "country constituents" former Senator Burkett. Senator Coe I. Crawford of South Dakota, another caller, said he did not know on which side he would line up in the coming fight in the U. S. F.